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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, NOVEMBER 20, 2001

JOINT APPLICATION OF

VERIZON ADVANCED DATA - VIRGINIA, INC.,

VERIZON VIRGINIA INC.,

and

VERIZON SOUTH INC.

CASE NO. PUC010214

For approval for Verizon Advanced Data - Virginia, Inc. to discontinue local exchange and intraLATA interexchange telecommunications services and for authority for Verizon Virginia Inc. and Verizon South Inc. to provide advanced data services under the tariffs filed by Verizon Advanced Data - Virginia, Inc. on an interim basis

ORDER GRANTING JOINT APPLICATION

On October 16, 2001, Verizon Advanced Data - Virginia, Inc. ("VADI-VA"), Verizon Virginia Inc. ("Verizon Virginia"), and Verizon South Inc. ("Verizon South") (collectively, "Joint Applicants") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") their Joint Application for authority to return the provision of broadband packet data services ("Advanced Services")¹ from VADI-VA to Verizon Virginia and Verizon South.

¹ Such services include ATM, Frame Relay, SMDS, and DSL.

The Commission notes that the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") has already granted Joint Applicants such authority, on an interstate basis, to move the provision of Advanced Services from VADI-VA to Verizon Virginia and Verizon South.²

On November 9, 2001, Verizon Virginia and Verizon South filed certification that notice depicted in the attachment was mailed on November 6, 2001, to VADI-VA's customers advising them that their Advanced Services (interstate and intrastate) would again be provided by Verizon Virginia and Verizon South. The Commission finds that VADI-VA's customers have been given sufficient notice of the return of the provisioning of Advanced Services to Verizon Virginia and Verizon South.

The Commission is of the opinion that the Joint Application should be granted. Accordingly, VADI-VA is granted approval, pursuant to 20 VAC 5-400-180 D 7, to withdraw its provision of local exchange and intraLATA interexchange telecommunications services, contemporaneous with the transfer of VADI-VA's

² In an Order dated September 26, 2001, the FCC approved Joint Applicants' request to accelerate its Advanced Services reintegration by terminating the sunset period established in the FCC's order approving the merger of Bell Atlantic and GTE Corporation (*In the Matter of GTE Corporation, Transferor, and Bell Atlantic Corporation, Transferee, For Consent to Transfer Control*, CC Docket No. 98-184, Memorandum Opinion and Order (Adopted and Released: June 16, 2000)) and allowing Joint Applicants to begin the reintegration process "effective immediately." See *In the Matter of GTE Corporation, Transferor, and Bell Atlantic Corporation, Transferee, For Consent to Transfer Control*, CC Docket No. 98-184, Order (Adopted and Released: September 26, 2001), paragraph 18.

customers to the Verizon incumbent local exchange carriers, or ILECs, that previously provided their Advanced Services. The Commission further finds that Verizon Virginia and Verizon South should be authorized to provide intrastate Advanced Services under the existing VADI-VA tariffs on an interim basis, not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of this Order.

Verizon Virginia and Verizon South should file their proposed tariffs for Advanced Services offerings with the Division of Communications at least thirty (30) days prior to the proposed effective date and comply with all other classification requirements for new services pursuant to their alternative regulatory plans.³

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Joint Application is hereby granted, consistent with the findings above.

(2) VADI-VA is hereby authorized to withdraw from the provision of local exchange and intraLATA interexchange telecommunications services pursuant to 20 VAC 5-400-180 D 7.

³ In the interim, we expect Verizon South and Verizon Virginia to abide by the requirement for VADI-VA in Case No. PUC000181 not to increase rates for intrastate Advanced Services without approval by the Commission. *See Application of Verizon Advanced Data-Virginia, Inc. f/k/a Bell Atlantic Network Data-Virginia, Inc., For certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange and intraLATA interexchange telecommunications Services*, Case No. PUC000181, Final Order, December 19, 2000.

(3) Verizon Virginia and Verizon South are hereby authorized to provide Advanced Services to the former VADI-VA's customers under the existing VADI-VA tariffs for an interim period, not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of this Order.

(4) Verizon Virginia and Verizon South shall file their tariffs for intrastate Advanced Services with the Division of Communications at least thirty (30) days prior to the proposed effective date, consistent with their respective alternative regulatory plans.

(5) Upon the effective date of Verizon Virginia's and Verizon South's tariffs for intrastate Advanced Services, the tariffs of VADI-VA shall be cancelled.

(6) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case is closed.